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HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Digital Degrees
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that it is proposing to make all degrees and certificates digital from the year 2017, if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether it would be done through National Academic Depository to check the problem of fake certificates; and
(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)
(a) to (c): The Union Cabinet in its meeting held on 27th October, 2016 has accorded its approval for establishment and operationalisation of the National Academic Depository (NAD) on the pattern of securities depository. NAD will comprise of two inter-operable digital depositories viz, NSDL Database Management Limited (NDML) and CDSL Ventures Limited (CVL).
NAD shall be a 24x7 online store house of academic awards digitally lodged by various academic institutions/boards/eligibility assessment bodies. These awards shall cover degrees, diplomas, certificates, mark-sheets including awards issued for skill development. Maintenance of academic awards in a digital depository will enable online access, retrieval and verification of these awards. It will be operationalised shortly.
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